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1. The name of Malenkov became well known in the Baltic States in the beginning of 1941, from his outspoken articles in the Soviet press which criticized the inefficiency, waste, and bureaucracy in the organization of Soviet industry. These articles were discussed, by order, all over the Baltic States, in universities, study groups, factories, etc. It would seem, therefore, that the administrative changes introduced in Moscow after the death of Stalin were to have been expected. They have now been applied also to the Baltic States.

2. In Lithuania, as in Moscow, the central administration is composed of a number of ministries, directorates, and committees subordinate to the Council of Ministers. Some of the administrative changes that have been made in conformity with the decree of 15 March 1953 are shown below. The following appointments were made by order of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the Lithuanian SSR, dated 25 April 1953 and signed by J. Paleckis, Chairman, and S. Naujalis, Secretary, of the Presidium. The former ministers are given in the column on the right.

A. Ministry of Internal Affairs

Minister Kundakov, Russian.

Combines:

Min. of Internal Affairs

J. Bartašius, Russian-Lithuanian,

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Min. of State Security

P. Kapralov, Russian,

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B. Ministry of Agriculture

Minister V. Augustinaitis,
Lithuanian. Reappointed.

Combines:

Min. of Agriculture

Min. of State Farms
D. Mamayev, Russian

Min. of Forestry
A. Matulionis, Lithuanian

Directorate of Hunting
V. Berg

Land Amelioration and
Collective Farms
K. Klyčius

Combines:

Min. of Light Industry
F. Terioshin, Russian

Min. of Food Industry
K. Andrijaitis, Russian-
Lithuanian

Min. of Fish Industry
Bilevičius

Combines:

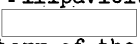
Min. of Cinematography
M. Meskauskienė,
Lithuanian.

Committee for Radio
Information

Committee for Art
J. Banaitis, Lithuanian

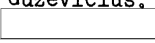
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A. Malygin, Russian

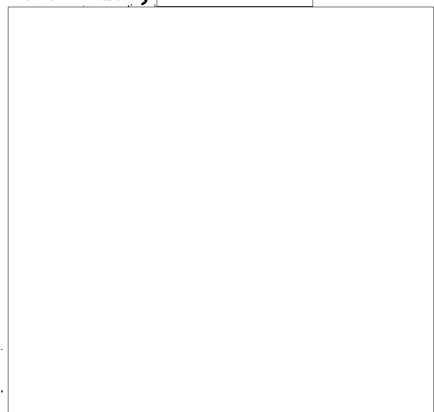
C. Ministry of Light Industry and
Food Industry

Minister S. Filipavičius,
Lithuanian, 
Fifth Secretary of the
Central Committee of the
Lithuanian Communist Party.

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D. Ministry of Culture

Minister A. Guzevičius,
Lithuanian, 



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E. Ministry of Health

Minister B. Penkauskas,
Professor, Lithuanian.
Reappointed.

Combines:

Committee for Physical
Culture and Sport
J. Uluoza

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3. With the exception of the appointment of Kundakov, a Russian, as Minister of Internal Affairs, the new appointments do not appear to indicate that the changes are directed toward a further russification of the government. These changes seem to be directed rather toward bringing forward the new generation of experienced Lithuanian Communists, for the purpose of improving the efficiency of the government apparatus and its work in the important fields of internal affairs (police and state security), agriculture, light industry, and culture (intellectual matters and information) in Soviet Lithuania. Guzevicius, for example, is regarded as a trustworthy Lithuanian Communist, and his new appointment gives him the task of organizing the still more centralized cultural life of Lithuania. Filipavicius is a young, and apparently able, Lithuanian Communist who has hitherto held various posts in the Party, but not in the government. Augustinaitis and Penkauskas, both Lithuanians, have retained their posts.
4. It is not yet clear how far and how deep these administrative changes will be extended in order to achieve the improvement of efficiency in government and industry, to abolish bureaucracy and overlapping, and to centralize certain branches of the industrial and governmental machine.

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